

## ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE

## FIRST SESSION

**LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 10**

Introduced by Janssen, 15.

WHEREAS, Richard "Dick" Wikert, was born in Esterville, Iowa, on April 20, 1936; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert graduated from Graettinger High School and Morningside College, earning a bachelor's degree in business; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert married Martha Macfarlane on November 7, 1959, in Sioux City, Iowa; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert was a fixture in the Fremont business community, building Taylor & Martin, Inc. from a small regional auction company into the nation's largest transportation equipment auction company; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert later was majority owner and chairman of the board of the American National Bank in Fremont; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert also had business interests in the Nebraska College of Business, Lincoln School of Commerce, Bojens & Wikert John Deere dealership, Liberty Banks of Iowa, Uraseal of Dover, New Hampshire, and the Sioux City Musketeers and had farming operations in Brazil, Iowa, and Nebraska; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert devoted great energy and attention to the Fremont philanthropic community, serving in numerous capacities with Midland University, the Fremont Area Chamber of Commerce, Greater Fremont

Development Council, Fremont Area Medical Center Foundation, Love-Larson Opera House, and many other community institutions; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert served his country as a jet fighter pilot in the United States Air Force; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert was a loving husband to his wife of fifty-three years and a devoted father to his children, Susan, Mandy, Elizabeth, and Mary Jane, and their extended families; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Wikert passed away on December 21, 2012.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, FIRST SESSION:

1. That the Legislature expresses its sincere appreciation of Richard "Dick" Wikert for his dedication and service to his community, his state, and his country.

2. That the Legislature expresses its deep sympathy to the family of Richard "Dick" Wikert.

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the family of Richard "Dick" Wikert.